



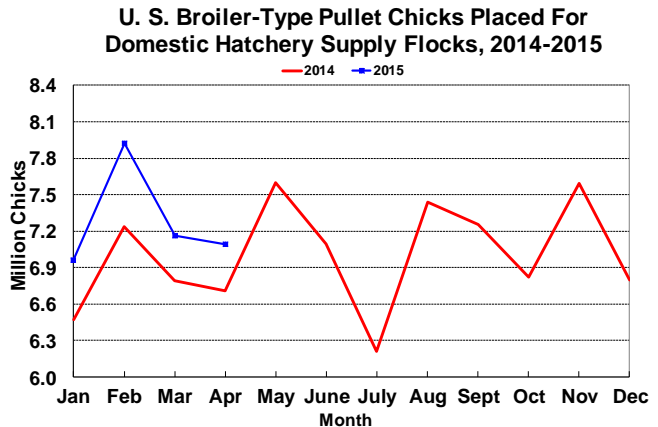
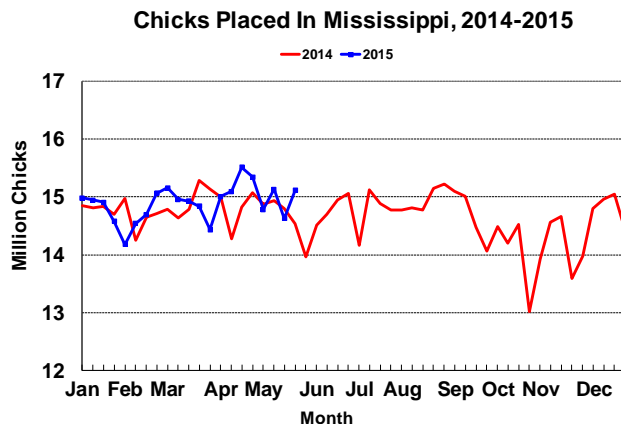
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Mississippi Chick Placements Up 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Mississippi were 15.1 million during the week ending May 23, 2015. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2014 and up 3 percent from the previous week.

Mississippi hatcheries set 18.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 23, 2015, up 4 percent from the same period last year and up 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 7.09 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2015, up 6 percent from April 2014.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, April 25, 2015 - May 23, 2015

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	25-Apr	2-May	9-May	16-May	23-May	25-Apr	2-May	9-May	16-May	23-May
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,136	28,905	29,372	29,609	29,588	22,488	21,856	22,312	22,623	22,337
Arkansas	21,549	22,173	22,127	21,717	21,332	19,940	20,505	19,860	20,236	19,565
Delaware	4,717	4,743	4,759	4,774	4,745	4,726	5,516	5,824	4,820	4,881
Florida	1,222	1,224	1,225	1,225	1,225	1,332	1,340	1,411	1,229	1,397
Georgia	34,144	34,394	34,593	34,858	34,085	26,772	27,224	26,729	26,713	26,969
Kentucky	7,891	7,854	7,815	7,836	8,027	5,668	6,759	6,462	5,994	6,680
Louisiana	3,833	3,878	3,878	3,848	3,803	3,394	3,383	3,396	3,396	3,425
Maryland	7,723	8,054	7,984	8,068	8,012	6,837	6,603	5,798	6,649	6,648
Mississippi	17,310	17,621	18,022	17,974	18,081	15,347	14,781	15,132	14,670	15,116
Missouri	8,127	8,105	7,759	8,328	8,336	5,963	5,456	6,164	6,217	5,869
N. Carolina	21,570	21,486	21,565	21,601	21,703	17,330	17,063	16,316	16,334	16,408
Oklahoma	6,154	6,768	6,801	6,708	6,667	4,435	4,383	4,112	3,138	4,635
Pennsylvania	4,596	4,481	4,542	4,751	4,638	4,059	3,932	4,197	4,059	3,678
S. Carolina	5,488	5,739	5,705	5,759	5,707	4,338	5,130	4,882	4,956	5,408
Texas	15,304	15,327	15,336	15,135	15,257	12,826	13,111	12,813	12,583	12,813
Virginia	6,549	6,591	6,458	6,490	6,471	4,896	5,057	5,131	5,594	5,975
CA,TN & WV	12,265	12,899	12,462	12,672	12,699	12,204	11,374	12,277	12,040	11,487
19 State Total	207,578	210,242	210,403	211,353	210,376	172,555	173,473	172,816	171,251	173,291
% of Prev. Year	102	103	103	103	102	103	104	102	103	103
Other States	8,580	8,571	8,450	8,490	8,293	6,317	6,365	6,456	6,681	6,398
U.S. Total	216,158	218,813	218,853	219,843	218,669	178,872	179,838	179,272	177,932	179,689

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 2 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 219 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 23, 2015, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 210 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 23, 2015, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 180 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 23, 2015, up 3 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 23, 2015, up 3 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 10, 2015 through May 23, 2015 for the United States were 3.52 billion. Cumulative placements were up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.